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Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 8:35 PM
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Subject: Leverhulme PA/22/NW/WIR/63116-22 - Access to Sport England calculators.
Appeal References: 3313726, 3313734, 3313737, 3313743, 3313775, 3313777, 3313741, 331372

Hello Emma and Leanne,

For the Leverhulme sites, Sport England confirm that should any or all of the appeal sites be approved that we would be happy for section 106 contributions for indoor and outdoor sport based on the calculations previously provided, which used the Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator and Sports Facility Calculator. These financial contributions should be allocated towards improvement schemes at the nearest sites as identified by the Council's parks and leisure team with due regard to the Council's up to date assessment of the need for sport and recreation facilities, which includes the Wirral Borough Council Playing Pitch and Outdoor Sport Strategy (July 2021) and the Wirral Borough Council Indoor and Built Facilities Strategy (February 2021). It is understood that both these documents were prepared in accordance with paragraph 98 of the NPPF.

Sport England would like to highlight that this approach is in accordance with '*Objective 2 recommendation (g) Secure developer contributions*' of the Wirral Pitch and Outdoor Sport Strategy (July 2021) and is in accordance with the approach set out in '*Appendix 1: Planning Gain Contribution Toolkit*' of the Wirral Indoor Sports and Built Facilities assessment and strategy (February 2021).

Sport England would also like to stress that we are keen to avoid the provision of a single pitch with no changing room or toilet provision, as well as isolated from other facilities; from experience these types of sport pitch proposals tend to not be sustainable due management and maintenance issues and costs.

I hope this clarifies Sport England's position for the appeal sites and would be grateful if you could please share this email with the concerned appellant and the Planning Inspector for all of the Leverhulme appeal sites, listed as follows:

Site A - Land east of Glenwood Drive, Irby (OUT/22/00946)
Site B - Land east of Dale View Close, north of Gills Lane, Pensby (OUT/22/00941)
Site C - Land east of Thorncroft Drive, north of Gills Lane, Pensby (OUT/22/00942)
Site D - Land west of Barnston Road, north of Gills Lane, Pensby (OUT/22/00944)
Site E - Land at Milner Road (OUT/22/00943)
Site F - Land west of Raby Hall, Raby Hall Road, Raby Mere (OUT/22/00945)
Site G - Land east of Raby Hall, Raby Hall Road, Raby Mere (OUT/22/00947)

Kind Regards,

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